

JOURNAL  
OF THE  
FIFTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION  
OF THE  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
IN THE  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,  
HELD IN  
CHRIST CHURCH, NEWBERN,  
On Wednesday, May 30th, to Monday, June 4th,  
1866.

**FIRST SESSION.**

FAYETTEVILLE:

1866.



## LIST OF CLERGY,

IN THE DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN  
THE CONVENTION OF 1866.

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- Rt. Rev. THOS. ATKINSON, D.D., Bishop, *ex officio* President of the Convention,  
Wilmington.
- Rev. RICHARD W. BARBER, Missionary in Wilkes and Iredell Counties.
- \*Rev. SAM'L S. BARBER, Missionary in Hyde County. Post Office, Middleton.
- Rev. ANGELO A. BENTON, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Wilson.
- \*Rev. CHAS. T. BLAND, Rector of Calvary Church, Wadesborough.
- Rev. JAMES BRISCOE, Deacon, Charlotte.
- \*Rev. JARVIS BUXTON, Rector of Trinity Church, Asheville.
- \*Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, D.D., Rector of Calvary Church, Tarborough, and  
Trinity Church, Scotland Neck.
- \*Rev. MOSES A. CURTIS, D.D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, and  
Missionary in parts adjacent.
- \*Rev. LUTHER EBORN, Missionary in Beaufort County. P. O., Washington.
- Rev. GEO. M. EVERHART, Salem.
- \*Rev. EDWARD M. FORBES, Rector of Christ Church, Newbern.
- Rev. EDWIN GEER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Washington.
- \*Rev. EDWARD W. GILLIAM, Edenton.
- \*Rev. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Bath.
- \*Rev. THOS. B. HAUGHTON, Missionary in Washington County. P. O., Plymouth.
- Rev. THOS. G. HAUGHTON, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.
- \*Rev. FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
- Rev. WM. HODGES, D.D., Rector of Immanuel Church, Warrenton.
- Rev. LUCIAN HOLMES, Haywood.
- \*Rev. FORDYCE M. HUBBARD, D.D., Professor in the University of North Caro-  
lina, Chapel Hill.
- \*Rev. N. COLLIN HUGHES, Rector of Trinity Church, Beaufort County. P. O.,  
Washington.
- \*Rev. WM. C. HUNTER, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough.
- Rev. JOS. C. HUSKE, Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
- Rev. RICH'D H. JONES, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wilmington.
- \*Rev. S. W. KENNERLY, St. John's Parish, Pitt County. P. O., Kinston.
- Rev. FREDERIC J. LIGHTBOURN.
- \*Rev. MATTHIAS M. MARSHALL, Rector of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.
- \*Rev. RICHARD S. MASON, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh.
- Rev. DANIEL MORRELLE, Wilmington.
- Rev. THOS. S. W. MOTT, Catawba County.
- \*Rev. JOS. W. MURPHY, Rector of Church of the Holy Innocents, Henderson.
- Rev. GEORGE PATTERSON, Assistant Minister of St. James's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. GERARD W. PHELPS, Deacon, Missionary at Scuppernon.

\*Rev. HENRY H. PROUT, Rector of St. John's Church, Williamsborough.

Rev. J. J. RIDLEY, M.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Louisburg.

\*Rev. STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Grace Church, Morganton, and St. James's Church, Lenoir.

Rev. HENRY A. SKINNER, Assistant Minister, Christ Church, Newbern.

\*Rev. ALBERT SMEDES, D.D., Rector of St. Mary's School, Raleigh.

Rev. BENNET SMEDES, Assistant at St. Mary's School.

\*Rev. WM. E. SNOWDEN, Rector of Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford.

\*Rev. ROB'T B. SUTTON, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough, and St. Mark's Church, Deep River.

Rev. LEWIS TAYLOR, Oxford.

Rev. ROB'T E. TERRY, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. JOHN H. TILLINGHAST, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Clinton.

\*Rev. DAVID D. VAN ANTWERP, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Beaufort.

\*Rev. MAURICE H. VAUGHAN, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Oxford.

\*Rev. ALFRED A. WATSON, Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington.

\*Rev. GEORGE B. WETMORE, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Mocksville.

\*Rev. WM. R. WETMORE, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Lincolnton, and Church of the Redeemer, Shelby.

Those marked thus [\*] were present.

## LAY DELEGATES.

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### DELEGATES.

### ALTERNATES.

#### ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

*A. J. DeRosset.	Alfred Martin.
P. K. Dickinson.	Robert Strange.
*A. H. VanBokkelin.	E. A. Keith.
*James G. Burr.	James Anderson.

#### ZION CHAPEL, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Henry L. Harvey.	Alanson Aligood.
Nymphus O. Eborn.	J. W. T. Harvey.
Caleb A. Cutler.	Norman W. North.
Abner N. Cutler.	O. H. P. Tankard.

#### CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, HENDERSON.

Richard J. Harris.  
George B. Harris.  
W. W. Jones.  
E. G. Brodie.

#### GRACE CHURCH, MORGANTON.

John Collett.	James Avery.
Dr. Samuel Tate.	W. M. Walton.
J. J. Erwin.	T. G. Walton.
E. S. Walton.	J. V. Blackwell.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, RALEIGH.

*George W. Mordecai.	William H. Jones.
Hon. John H. Bryan.	Dr. Ed. C. Fisher.
Kemp P. Battle.	R. H. Battle, Jr.
*Gen. William R. Cox.	Cad. J. Iredell.

#### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BEAUFORT.

*Isaac Ramsey.	David Dill.
*B. L. Perry, Jr.	J. E. Ramsey.
A. C. Davis.	J. C. Davis.
*Henry Rieger.	S. F. Willis

#### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CLINTON.

H. L. Holmes.  
A. A. McKoy.  
J. H. Holmes.  
\*J. A. Ferrell.

#### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GOLDSBORO'.

G. W. Collier.	S. R. Street.
G. V. Strong.	B. V. L. Hutton.
*R. T. Fulghum.	J. Evans.
R. M. Nelson.	J. W. Davis.

#### ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HILLSBORO'.

Hon. Thos. Ruffin.  
James Webb.  
Frederick Nash.  
\*Thomas B. Hill.



## DELEGATES.

## ALTERNATES.

## CHRIST CHURCH, NEWBERN.

\*Jacob Gooding.  
 \*William H. Oliver.  
 \*John Hughes.  
 \*Frederick C. Roberts.

William G. Hall.  
 Henry R. Bryan.  
 Peter E. Hines.

## CHAPEL OF THE CROSS, CHAPEL HILL.

Hon. W. H. Battle.  
 \*A. Mickle.  
 F. A. Fetter.  
 T. M. Argo.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GREENVILLE.

Dr. N. Joyner.  
 Dr. Richard Williams.  
 Dr. W. M. B. Brown.  
 Col. Thomas C. Singletary.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PITT COUNTY.

\*Jesse Noble.  
 William A. Pugh.  
 William Henry Smith.  
 Guilford W. Cox.

Frederick Harding.  
 Lemuel Mewborne.  
 Sylvester Cox.  
 Allen Wooten.

## TRINITY CHURCH, ASHEVILLE.

Hon. J. L. Bailey.  
 N. W. Woodfin.  
 \*R. W. Pulliam.  
 \*Gen. J. G. Martin.

## CHRIST CHURCH, ROWAN COUNTY.

\*Wm. B. Leary.  
 Thos. D. Meares.  
 R. J. M. Barber.  
 J. W. Turner.

Matthew Barber.  
 J. F. Barber.  
 Thos. Barber.  
 Julius Neely.

## ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

Col. Edward Cantwell.  
 Lewis Taylor, Jr.  
 Russel H. Kingsbury.  
 E. H. Hicks.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EDENTON.

\*William Badham.  
 \*William H. Standin.  
 Dr. Thomas D. Warren.

James C. Warren.  
 Dr. L. P. Warren.  
 Dr. W. A. B. Norcom.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHARLOTTE.

W. A. Williams.  
 J. M. Davidson.  
 J. Y. Bryce.  
 \*John Wilkes.

## ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, IREDELL COUNTY.

Edward Gardner.  
 \*George Mills.  
 R. W. Mills.  
 H. M. Mills.

John A. Mills.  
 J. L. Mills.  
 George S. Kerr.  
 W. H. Mills.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOUISBURG.

William A. Eaton.  
 Phil. B. Hawkins.

Dr. Joel G. King.  
 Thomas White.

## DELEGATES.

## ALTERNATES.

## IMMANUEL CHURCH, WARRENTON.

Joseph B. Batchelor.  
 Thomas A. Montgomery.  
 Peter R. Davis.  
 \*John White.

S. P. Arrington.  
 K. Plummer.  
 Edward H. Plummer.  
 William J. White.

## ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, BATH.

G. W. Odin.  
 H. G. Hilton.  
 John H. Archbell.  
 William Gaylord.

Joseph Bonner.  
 N. E. Price.  
 John J. Rowland.  
 William R. Boyd.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, DURHAM'S CREEK.

Jesse Robinson.  
 \*H. J. Butt.  
 C. W. Bonner.  
 Edward Tripp.

W. Archell.  
 \*W. H. Snell.  
 B. T. Bonner.  
 H. Bonner.

## CALVARY CHURCH, TARBORO'.

Russell Chapman.  
 Matthew Weddell.  
 R. T. Hoskins.  
 Dr. N. J. Pitman.

H. B. Bryan.  
 E. D. MacNair.

## TRINITY CHURCH, SCOTLAND NECK.

R. H. Smith.  
 P. E. Smith.  
 W. H. Shields.  
 Gilbert Elliott.

J. J. Bishop.  
 J. Y. Savage.  
 H. Bishop.  
 R. H. Purrington.

## CHRIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY.

Frank Vaughn.  
 W. W. Griffin.  
 W. A. Harvey.  
 W. H. Clark.

W. F. Martin.  
 John Black.  
 James L. Ball.  
 James M. Pool.

## ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, PITTSBORO'.

\*John H. Haughton.  
 \*Benjamin I. Howze.  
 Henry A. London.  
 Hon. Abram Rencher.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

\*Col. S. L. Fremont.  
 James A. Willard.  
 Hon. S. J. Person.  
 J. E. Lippitt.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSBORO'.

William Charles Hardy.  
 John Wimbish.  
 William M. Sneed.  
 John T. Thomas.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

C. T. Haigh.  
 E. J. Hale.  
 Hon. R. P. Buxton.  
 \*W. N. Tillinghast.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Henry Downing.  
 Andrew L. Chesson.

Samuel Johnston.  
 John W. Gaylord.

## DELEGATES.

## ALTERNATES.

## CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, WILLIAMSTON.

Wilson G. Lamb, Jr.  
F. A. Boyle.

Joseph M. Siterson.

## GRACE CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

Dr. Warren W. Ward.  
Dr. Benj'n M. Walker.  
Stewart L. Johnston.  
Levi J. Fagan.

B. J. Spruill.  
F. F. Fagan.  
R. S. Goelet.

## TRINITY CHURCH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Henry Harding.  
\*Wm. J. Laughinghouse.  
F. B. Satterthwaite.  
William H. Patrick.

\*Benjamin Patrick.  
S. B. Archbell.  
Harvey Hill.  
William M. Nelson.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

W. E. Demill.  
T. H. B. Myers.  
James R. Grist.  
T. H. Blount.

James E. Hoyt.  
Thomas M. Robinson.  
Allen Grist.  
W. A. Blount.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LINCOLNTON.

Hon. W. M. Shipp.  
\*Capt. J. C. Justice.  
L. E. Thompson.  
Dr. J. M. Richardson.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

M. W. Jarvis.  
L. Blackmer.  
H. Croswell Morris.  
H. C. Jones, Jr.

W. Murphy.  
S. R. Harrison.  
Dr. J. W. Hall.  
J. M. Coffin.

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, HERTFORD.

Dr. R. C. Jenkins.  
Jonathan W. Albertson.  
Charles W. Wood.  
James L. Skinner.

John S. Wood.  
John Skinner.  
Francis Nixon, Jr.  
Dr. Joseph T. Smith.

Those marked thus [\*] were present.



# JOURNAL.

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NEWBERN, MAY 30, 1866.

The Fiftieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina met in Christ Church, Newbern, at 10 o'clock. A. M., in accordance with the appointment of the last Convention.

The Bishop of the Diocese being absent in consequence of ill-health, the Convention was called to order by the Secretary; and, on motion, Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., was called to the Chair.

The Roll of Clergy was called and the following were found present, viz:

Rev. Chas. T. Bland.	Rev. Jos. W. Murphy.
Rev. Jarvis Buxton.	Rev. Henry H. Prout.
Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D.D.	Rev. Aldert Smedes, D.D.
Rev. Luther Eborn.	Rev. Maurice H. Vaughan.
Rev. Edward M. Forbes.	Rev. Alfred A. Watson.
Rev. N. C. Hughes.	Rev. Geo. B. Wetmore.
Rev. Wm. C. Hunter.	Rev. Wm. R. Wetmore.
Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D.	

The Roll of Lay Delegates was then called, and R. T. Fulghum, John Hughes, Frederick C. Roberts, W. B. Leary, W. H. Oliver and W. N. Tillinghast, answered to their names.

It being apparent that a quorum was not present, on motion, the Convention adjourned for Divine Service, to meet again at 4 o'clock, P. M.

Morning Prayer was said by Rev. A. A. Watson, assisted by Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D.D.

Rev. G. B. Wetmore preached the Sermon, from Eph. iv: 11, 12, 13.

The Communion was administered by Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D.D., and Rev. A. A. Watson.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Convention met according to adjournment. The following Clergymen appeared and took their seats, viz: Rev. Messrs. M. A. Curtis, D.D., Edward W. Gilliam, Israel Harding, Francis W. Hilliard, F. M. Hubbard, D.D., M. M. Marshall, S. C. Roberts, W. E. Snowden, and R. B. Sutton.

The following Lay Delegates appeared and took their seats: A. J. DeRosset, James G. Burr, G. W. Mordecai, J. A. Ferrell, Thos. B. Hill, A. Mickle, Jesse Noble, R. W. Pulliam, Gen. J. G. Martin, Wm. Badham, Wm. H. Standin, John Wilkes, George Mills, John White, H. J. Butt, John H. Haughton, B. I. Howze, S. L. Fremont, W. H. Snell, and Gen. W. R. Cox.

The Secretary reported that twenty-four Clergymen, and Lay Delegates from eighteen Parishes,—a quorum—were present. Whereupon the Chair declared the Convention duly organized.

On motion, Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., was elected President of the Convention.

On motion, W. N. Tillinghast was elected Secretary of the Convention.

Rev. A. A. Watson presented the Bishop's Annual Address, at his request.

On motion,

Resolved, That it be read.

Mr. Watson read the Address, as follows:

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

Immediately after our last Diocesan Convention, and in pursuance of the Resolutions adopted by it, I attended the meeting of the General Convention of the

Church in the United States, held in the City of Philadelphia.

In common with the other Bishops and Delegates from the Southern Dioceses who were present at that meeting, I received a most cordial and kindly welcome; and the reunion of our own Diocese with that Church was accomplished in a manner entirely consistent with Church principles, and highly satisfactory to ourselves. \* The other Southern Dioceses, so far as opportunity has been afforded them, have become united to the same Communion, and the unity of the Church throughout our country may now be considered as secure.

This most auspicious result must, under God, be ascribed mainly to the truly Christian and magnanimous spirit displayed by the great body of the Bishops and other Delegates from the Northern Dioceses who attended that Convention. All of them had to expose themselves to prejudice, and some of them to the danger of actual privation and penury, for venturing to do their duty in that crisis of the history of the Church. But none of these things moved them, and they went forward and acted as became Bishops, and Ministers, and members of the Church of God, who must give account to HIM for what they did; and under His blessing the result has been that none, so far as I have heard, have suffered. And the character and position of the Church have been immeasurably exalted in the eyes of our whole people.

I may here express the conviction, after full and free interchange of opinions with our best friends at the North, that unless there had been an attendance of Delegates from some of the Southern Dioceses, at the General Convention of 1865, there either would have been no reunion of the Church, or it would have been accomplished upon terms altogether distasteful, and not very creditable to ourselves. Either of these results, it seems to me, would have been a great calamity.

On my return from the General Convention, I brought back my family from Wadesborough to Wilmington, and

immediately proceeded to that part of my Diocese from which, for several years, I had been shut out, because of its occupation by the Army of the United States.

I had confirmed, immediately after the Diocesan Convention at Raleigh, fourteen persons; and Bishop Lay, in my behalf, had administered the same ordinance at Lincolnton to fifteen persons.

Beginning now at Newbern, November 26th, I confirmed in that place five persons, and two days afterwards, at Beaufort, I confirmed twenty, and on the next day, at the same place, one person.

On the 2d of December, in Trinity Church, Beaufort County, I confirmed eight persons.

On the 3d, in the town of Washington, seven more.

On the 4th, at Zion Church, Beaufort County, I confirmed four.

Then at Plymouth, on the 6th, I confirmed three; at St. Luke's, Washington County, on the 7th, five; and at Edenton, on the 10th, eleven; at Gatesville, on the 12th, four; at Hertford, on the 15th, fourteen; and at Elizabeth City, on the 17th, twelve persons. At all of these places I preached, generally several times, and at most of them administered the Holy Communion.

In this part of the State, more than any other, I saw the injurious effects of the war displayed. More than half of the lately flourishing town of Washington was destroyed by fire, itself the result of war, and every house of worship in it consumed, except one small building, not larger than a school-house.

At Plymouth the ruin was even more complete; nineteen-twentieths of the buildings of that place were swept away, and its site had become a desolate field, rather than the abode of men and of commerce. The country generally was stripped of its laborers, the lands neglected, and the roads and bridges scarcely passable. Yet so abundant is the provision, which both the soil and the waters make in this highly favored region for the sustenance and comfort



of man, that it is not unreasonable to hope its former prosperity may be speedily restored, if not surpassed.

Passing through Petersburg on my return to Wilmington, I confirmed one person there, at the request of Bishop Johns.

January 14th, 1866, I held a special confirmation in St. James's Church, Wilmington, and administered that rite to eighteen persons.

On the 24th, at Summerville, in Brunswick County, I confirmed two persons.

On the 9th of March, I commenced a visitation to the country on the upper part of the Cape Fear River, and on the 11th, at Fayetteville, I confirmed twenty persons; on the 13th, at St. Mark's, Deep River, I confirmed three; and on the 14th, at St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough, eight others.

On the 20th of March, I held another special confirmation at St. James's Church, Wilmington, and administered that rite to one person.

On the 25th, at Lumberton, I confirmed one person, and administered the Holy Communion.

April 19th, at Tarborough, I confirmed eight persons.

On the 21st, I preached at Enfield, but held no confirmation.

On the 22d, at Trinity Church, Scotland Neck, I confirmed five persons; and

On the 24th, at Halifax, three.

May 11th, at Wilson, I confirmed ten persons.

On the 13th, at Goldsborough, seventeen.

On the 15th, at Clinton, eight.

On the 20th, in the morning, I confirmed in St. James's Church, Wilmington, twenty-two; and at night, at St. John's, ten. On the 22d, at St. Paul's Church, I confirmed fourteen colored persons, and in the afternoon of that day, at my residence, one person belonging to the Parish of St. James's, Wilmington.

The whole number of persons confirmed in the Diocese, since our last meeting, has been two hundred and sixty-five.



I have baptized two infants and two adults, conducted one funeral and celebrated one marriage.

Of the Clergy, we have lost by death, one valued and beloved member of our body, the Reverend Robert A. Castleman. He was foully assassinated in the month of October last, near the village of Gaston, by some wretch, as yet unknown, who either bore him a grudge, the existence of which he himself did not suspect, or who mistook him for another person. It is not creditable to the administration of justice in this State, that the murderer has so far gone unpunished. The true criminal was either not arrested, or if so, was dismissed. The whole matter seems to have been followed up with little zeal or public spirit.

The following Clergymen have been transferred from the Diocese, to-wit: The Reverend Frederick FitzGerald, and the Reverend Richard H. Mason, to that of New Jersey; the Reverend John C. Tennant, to that of Pennsylvania, and the Reverend Edmund Withers, to that of Virginia. The Reverend J. J. Ridley, M. D., has been received into this Diocese, from that of Tennessee.

Two Clergymen, who were members of our body anterior to our late civil war, but who were absent from the State during its continuance, have, since its close, been transferred to the jurisdiction of other Bishops, to-wit: The Reverend Peyton Gallagher to the Bishop of Honolulu, and the Reverend Jonathan A. Wainwright, M. D., to that of the Bishop of Connecticut.

The whole number of Clergymen in this Diocese is fifty-one.

Reverend S. S. Barber no longer officiates as Assistant to the Reverend George B. Wetmore, but is now acting as Missionary in Hyde County. The Reverend Angelo A. Benton has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Rockfish, and has accepted that of St. Timothy's Church, Wilson. The Reverend George M. Everhart has, because of ill-health, resigned the charge of St. Peter's Church, Charlotte, and that Parish is now vacant. The Reverend Edward W. Gilliam has resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church,

Louisburg, and the Reverend Dr. Ridley has recently accepted it. The Reverend Israel Harding has again taken charge of St. Thomas's Church, Bath, and the Missionary region around it. The Reverend Francis W. Hilliard has accepted the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Edenton. The Reverend N. Collin Hughes has resumed his duties as Rector of Trinity Church, Beaufort county, which had been resigned by the Reverend Mr. Kennerly. The Reverend Richard H. Jones is now officiating at St. Paul's Church, Wilmington. The Reverend Edward M. Forbes has resigned the charge of Christ Church, Elizabeth City, and accepted that of Christ Church, Newbern; the Reverend M. M. Marshall has taken his place in Elizabeth City. The Reverend George Patterson has become Assistant Minister of St. James's Church, Wilmington.

The Candidates for Orders are now: Edward Wooten, Horace G. Hilton, John Richard Joyner, Edmund Gregory Prout, and William B. Gordon.

It is a grateful duty to acknowledge the exceeding abundance of the liberality with which our brethren in more favored regions of country, and especially at the North, have contributed to the relief of the suffering Clergy of our own Diocese, as well as of others in the Southern States. I have received from Messrs. R. A. Robinson and John B. Smith, acting in behalf of the ladies of the Episcopal Church in Louisville, Kentucky, the sum of seven hundred dollars. From the fund for the relief of the suffering Clergy of the Southern Dioceses, distributed by the Committee of Domestic Missions in our Church, I have received the sum of twelve hundred and three dollars and fifty cents, to be divided among that class in my own. From the Society in Maryland for the same object, I have received the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to be used in like manner, and from several private individuals contributions of that nature. From the Bureau of Relief of which the Reverend Wm. C. Doane is Secretary, I have received two hundred and fifty dollars, and a box of clothing for the use of the widow of a Clergyman, whose case is one peculiarly appealing to Chris-

tian sympathy. I have received also from a Ladies' Society in Cooperstown, New York, a valuable box of clothing, and from the Parish of the Reverend James A. Buck, of Maryland, another box for the benefit of the families of the suffering Clergy of my Diocese. The New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, and the Bishop White Prayer Book Society of Philadelphia, have likewise made us generous donations of Prayer Books and Bibles.

I feel bound also to acknowledge, that in addition to what has been bestowed upon my Diocese, I have individually received, during the last twelve months, many valuable tokens of affection from old friends, and especially from former parishioners in Baltimore, that beautiful and illustrious City, which will hereafter be more honored for its benevolence and sympathy with its suffering fellow-countrymen, than even for its gallantry in the resistance of invasion in 1814, or the genius with which it has for so many years adorned the Legislature and Tribunals of the nation.

In concluding an address which I meant to be brief, but which involuntarily I have found growing under my hands, I feel bound to say a word on some of the duties now lying before us. I refer more especially to those which relate to the education and religious instruction of the colored race among us. The heaviest charge brought against us by our worst enemies is that of indifference and even of opposition to the welfare of that race. Let us do nothing which will give even the semblance of truth to this charge; and above all, let us do nothing from prejudice or from passion which shall be contrary to the line of duty which God himself has commanded us to observe.

Every one knows that the general condition of the colored population is that of ignorance, and every one who has attempted to impart religious instruction to them knows also that their ignorance, as to that class of subjects, is not less universal, and scarcely less absolute, than as to any other. It is then an indisputable duty to enlighten them. One important means of doing this, is to teach them to read the Word of God. The Word of God was written in order that



it may be read, and to say, either by our action, or by our refusal to act, that a large class of the community shall not read it, seems very like profanity. If read, it should be as far as possible with the Commentary which the Creeds and the Liturgy of the Church give, securing it thereby from the fatal misinterpretations which ignorant and fanatical persons attach to it. There is then a clear obligation on us to do what we can to establish schools for their benefit, for without schools there can be no regular and effective instruction.

One of the most beneficent acts of the late General Convention was the institution of a commission for the instruction of the colored people under the authority of the Church, and under responsibility to its Bishops and Clergy. This furnishes a means of aiding the colored population which is effective and altogether safe. To foster and extend these schools, as far as may be, seems one of our clearest duties; but if there be any persons who doubt whether instruction should be thus furnished, let them remember that the practical question is not whether they shall be taught, but *by whom* they shall be taught. Teachers they have already, and will continue to have. Shall they be such as will impart sound instruction, and be under our own direction, or shall they be such as chance or fanaticism may send? Who can doubt what should be our course in this respect, whether we regard the claims of duty or of wisdom.

A question of the same sort arises with regard to the admission of colored men into our Ministry. No one who thinks a moment can doubt that the Ministers of a people ought, as a general rule, to be of that people themselves; having, as far as may be, the same habits of thought, language, and feeling. It is observable that the Apostles ordained Elders in every city, i. e., they appointed Ministers belonging to the community which they were to serve. The English Church and people, in their dealings with the Irish, disregarded this principle; they rejected the native population, and set Englishmen as religious instructors of an alien race. The consequence was, that the people rejected them, and followed their own ignorant clergy in preference to such

men as Usher and Bramhall and Jeremy Taylor and Berkley; and that the Protestant Church in Ireland has, at least until very lately, regularly declined, instead of gaining upon the people. If then, we had white clergymen to minister to the colored population, it is very questionable whether we should use them exclusively; but actually we do not have them. We have not white Missionaries to our own white people; we have what we call a Diocesan Missionary Society, but which rather deserves the name of a Pastoral Aid Society, for its only function is to assist feeble Parishes. Since the death of the lamented Skiles, we really have not one, properly to be called a Missionary, in the Diocese. If we do not support Missionaries to the whites, then, what likelihood is there that we shall send them to the blacks? When, then, we ask ourselves whether we shall have colored Ministers or not, we really ask ourselves whether we shall have Ministers for the colored race or not. And is it to be endured that a Church which claims to be the Catholic and Apostolic Church in North Carolina, shall systematically refuse to do anything for the religious welfare of one-third of the people of North Carolina? Shall we, like the Priest and Levite, see the wounded man lying half dead, and pass by on the other side, and leave him to be ministered to by some hated Samaritan? This would be to confute our own pretensions, and it is to be remembered with regard to this subject, as with regard to schools, that the question is not whether there shall be colored Ministers, but what sort of colored Ministers these shall be? Colored Ministers have been, are, and will be amongst us. Shall they be men taught in the Church, ruled by the Church, imparting the doctrines of the Church, or shall they be fanatics and political emissaries, self-commissioned, or sent by some foreign, and it may be hostile, society?

Led by such considerations as these, or at any rate, impelled by a sense of Christian duty, the Presbyterians, Methodists and Baptists of this State are already training and sending forth, or preparing to train and send forth, such Ministers to the colored population. The Episcopal Church



in South Carolina has made provision for the same object; shall we stand alone with regard to this matter? I hope the Convention at its present meeting will take some steps towards inaugurating a system of preparation of colored Ministers for the colored people.

You are already aware, dear brethren, that my health has greatly failed this Spring, and that every effort which I have made to perform my official duties has served only to enfeeble it the more. Under these circumstances, many friends have urged me, and by their great kindness have enabled me, to leave home for a voyage to Europe. My expectation is, God willing, to sail from Baltimore on the very day on which this body meets. If the Convention shall think it best, in consideration of this state of facts, either to appoint me an Assistant, or to divide the Diocese, I hereby express my concurrence in any such measure.

The Clergy will, of course, during my absence, send in their Reports to the President of the Standing Committee.

In taking leave of you, my dear brethren, for a long time, it may be for all time, I must express my heartfelt gratitude for the many kindnesses which I have received throughout the whole term of my office, and which have gone on increasing until this moment; and I heartily pray our Heavenly Father that, for Christ's sake, His blessing may rest abundantly on you and the Diocese you represent.

THOMAS ATKINSON.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Bishop's Address be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

On motion of Rev. F. M. Hubbard, D.D.,

Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the instruction of Freedmen be referred to a Special Committee of three.

The Chair appointed Rev. F. M. Hubbard, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson and John H. Haughton.

On motion of Rev. A. A. Watson,

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Freedmen at the last Convention, and the whole subject of the relations of the Church towards the colored people, be referred to the Special Committee.

Rev. A. A. Watson asked to be excused from serving on the Special Committee.

On motion, he was excused.

The Chair appointed Rev. N. C. Hughes.

On motion of Rev. W. C. Hunter,

Resolved, That the Special Committee be increased, so as to consist of four Clergymen and three Laymen.

The Chair added to the Committee, Rev. W. C. Hunter, Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D.D., Geo. W. Mordecai and Gen. W. R. Cox.

Col. S. L. Fremont moved that the portion of the Bishop's Annual Address relating to a division of the Diocese, and to the appointment of an Assistant Bishop, be referred to a Committee of four Clergymen and three Laymen.

Mr. J. H. Haughton moved to lay the subject on the table, which motion was rejected.

Col. Fremont's resolution was adopted.

On motion of Rev. A. A. Watson,

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention meet in St. James's Church, Wilmington, on the third Wednesday in May 1867.

The Report of the Standing Committee was read, as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of North Carolina respectfully submit the following report of their proceedings during the past Conventional year:

On September 14th, 1865, testimonials were signed on behalf of John H. Tillinghast, candidate for Priest's Orders.

On November 28th, 1865, testimonials were signed on behalf of Horace G. Hilton, candidate for Deacon's Orders.

On December 23d, 1865, the assent of the Standing Committee was given to the consecration of Rev. John Barnett Kerfoot, D.D., to be Bishop of the Diocese of Pittsburg.

On March 31st, 1866, testimonials were signed on behalf of William Baker Gordon, candidate for Deacon's Orders.

On April 14th, 1866, testimonials were signed on behalf of E. Gregory Prout, candidate for Orders.

Testimonials were presented on behalf of James Simonson (a colored person) candidate for Orders, whereupon it was resolved, that the consideration of this matter be postponed and referred to the next Convention of the Diocese.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. S. MASON, Pres't.

On motion of J. H. Haughton,

Resolved, That the part of the Report of the Standing Committee relating to the application of a colored person for Orders, be referred to the Special Committee of seven, on that subject.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.



THURSDAY, MAY 31.

The Convention met according to adjournment.

The Roll was called, when the following members, in addition to those present yesterday, appeared and took their seats, viz: Of the Clergy, Rev. Messrs. S. S. Barber, S. W. Kennerly, D. D. Van Antwerp and Thomas B. Haughton; of the Laity, Isaac Ramsey, B. L. Perry, Jr., Henry Rieger, Jacob Gooding, W. J. Laughinghouse, Benj. Patrick and A. H. Van Bokkelin.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Chair announced the following Committees:

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE DIVISION OF THE DIOCESE AND THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ASSISTANT BISHOP—Rev. E. M. Forbes, Rev. M. A. Curtis, D.D., Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D.D., Rev. F. W. Hilliard, S. L. Fremont, Gen. J. G. Martin and John Hughes.

ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH—Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. H. H. Prout, Rev. W. E. Snowden, R. W. Pulliam and W. H. Standin.

ON FINANCE—Rev. W. R. Wetmore, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, John Wilkes, Andrew Mickle and W. H. Oliver.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS—Rev. Geo. B. Wetmore, Rev. C. T. Bland, Rev. M. M. Marshall, Thomas B. Hill and John White.

ON ELECTIONS—Rev. S. S. Barber, Rev. M. H. Vaughan and George Mills.

ON NEW PARISHES—Rev. R. B. Sutton, Rev. Israel Harding and W. B. Leary.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS—Rev. S. C. Roberts, Rev. Edward W. Gilliam and Jesse Noble.

The Report of the Treasurer was read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance. [*See Appendix.*]

On motion, the Parochial Reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. [*For which, see Appendix.*]

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention go into the election of Deputies to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Rev. F. M. Hubbard, D.D., Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. Jos. B. Cheshire, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Hon. W. H. Battle, R. H. Smith, Col. Robert Strange and Dr. A. J. DeRosset, were elected Deputies.

On motion of John H. Haughton,

Resolved, That wherever the word *Council* occurs in the Constitution, Canons, or the present proceedings of the Church in this Diocese, the word *Convention* be substituted, and that the Secretary conform his subsequent reports accordingly.

On motion of Rev. Edward W. Gilliam,

Resolved, That a Committee of three Clergymen be appointed, to prepare an Address to the Church in North Carolina, on the subject of Diocesan Missions, setting forth the crippled state of our Mission work, the importance of that work, and the high obligation Churchmen are under to make an earnest, strenuous, self-denying and systematic effort to sustain it with a liberality commensurate with its importance.

Rev. E. W. Gilliam, Rev. Jarvis Buxton and Rev. W. E. Snowden were appointed.

The Special Committee, to which all matters relating to the colored people was referred, reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Committee to whom were referred the several papers which touch the interests of the colored people among us, report the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Convention commend the people of color to the continued kindness and good will of the churchmen of this Diocese.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention, that separate houses of worship should be provided, as soon as practicable, for the colored people—that there should be separate Sunday Schools and separate congregations for them; and that the attention of the Clergy of this Diocese be directed to the importance of seeking out suitable colored men for Catechists, Sunday School Teachers and Lay Readers; and giving them, as far as they may, personal instruction to fit them for these positions, in the hope that, under God's providence, many of them may be ultimately qualified to become the spiritual teachers and pastors of their race.



Resolved, That we heartily approve and earnestly recommend the mental and moral training of the colored people in such manner and to such degree as the condition of affairs may justify.

The Committee suppose the particular case referred to them, to be covered by the above Resolutions, and ask to be relieved from the further consideration of it.

F. M. HUBBARD, Chairman.

The Report and Resolutions were adopted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock P. M.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

On motion,

Resolved. That the Convention proceed to hold an election for Standing Committee.

Rev. F. M. Hubbard, D.D., Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. Smedes, D.D., George W. Mordecai and Hon. J. H. Bryan were elected.

The Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the appointment of an Assistant Bishop, and to the division of the Diocese, reported the following Resolution:

Resolved, That an Assistant Bishop be elected by this Convention, with the understanding that, as soon as possible, the Diocese shall be divided, and the Assistant Bishop become the Bishop of that one of the two Dioceses which shall not be selected by our present Bishop.

The understanding of the Committee is, that the Assistant Bishop will hold the Rectorship of some one of the ablest Parishes of the Diocese, and thus, with the co-operation of the rest of the Diocese, be secure of a support.

E. M. FORBES, Chairman.

Pending the consideration of this Resolution, the Convention adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 1.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Roll was called.

Capt. J. C. Justice appeared and took his seat.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, the Report of the Committee in relation to the



appointment of an Assistant Bishop, and the division of the Diocese, was recommitted.

On motion of John Wilkes,

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to publish and distribute fifteen hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention, and of the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese.

The Education Committee reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

The Education Committee of the Diocese report the reception, during the past year, of two dollars. This being the whole amount received, or at present in their hands, they have no action in their department to report.

ALFRED A. WATSON, Chairman.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that the Council of last year postponed, for the action of this Convention, the following Resolution adopted at the Convention of 1862, to-wit:

Resolved, That Article V of the Constitution, be so altered as to read as follows: To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except in cases otherwise specially provided for, the presence of one-third of all the Parochial Clergy, and delegates from seven of the Parishes entitled to representation, shall be necessary. Any less number, however, shall be competent to receive Reports and to adjourn.

The Committee find no other business to bring to the attention of the Convention.

S. C. ROBERTS, Chairman.

On motion of Rev. S. C. Roberts,

Resolved, That the consideration of the resolution adopted at the Council of 1862, and postponed by the Councils of 1863, 1864 and 1865 to this Convention, proposing an alteration in Art. V of the Constitution of this Diocese, be postponed to the next Annual Convention.

The Committee on Finance made the following Report:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee of Finance respectfully report: That they have examined the Treasurer's accounts and vouchers and find them correct, and the balances as stated in his Report.

The Treasurer has in possession the securities of the Permanent Fund for support of the Episcopate and Permanent Missionary Fund. These securities being at present entirely unproductive, the Committee recommends that the Treasurer be authorized to dispose of them at his discretion, and to re-invest the proceeds in such active and undoubted securities as, in his judgment, may be for the best interests of the Diocese.

The Committee deems it inexpedient at this time to make any changes in the Scale of Assessments, and recommends that the several Parishes be urged to make every effort to raise the amounts assessed upon them respectively. The securities, which have heretofore produced a large proportion of the funds for which the assessments are made, yielding now no income, there is greater need than ever for each Parish to do all it can towards these funds.

In the event of an Assistant Bishop being made, the Committee can think of no better plan to provide for the additional expense, than to rely upon the voluntary contributions to be collected in the several Parishes, in such manner as may seem best to the Clergymen in charge.

The Committee offers, therefore, the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese is hereby authorized to dispose of the securities of the Pemanent Episcopal and Permanent Missionary Funds, as he shall think best, and reinvest the proceeds in active and safe securities.

2. Resolved, That the Scale of Assessments continue as it is, and that each Parochial Clergyman, who does not now do so, is earnestly recommended to take up weekly collections, unless he has strong reason existing in his Parish to lead him to a different course, in order to raise the assessments upon his Parish, as well as for other purposes.

W. R. WETMORE, Chairman.

The Resolutions were adopted.

On motion, leave of absence was granted, after to-day, to Messrs. A. Mickle and G. W. Mordecai.

On motion of Rev. R. B. Sutton,

Whereas, we have heard with profound regret of the sickness of our beloved Diocesan, and the consequent necessity of a voyage to Europe:

Resolved, That we do sincerely sympathize with him in his sufferings, and our constant prayer to Almighty God is, that he may be speedily restored to health and usefulness.

Resolved, That while we feel his absence as a privation and a loss to the Diocese, yet it is our earnest desire that he should remain away as long as he thinks expedient, in the hope of thus rendering his cure more complete.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to transmit to the Bishop a copy of these resolutions.

The Committee in relation to the appointment of an Assistant Bishop and the division of the Diocese, reported the following Preamble and Resolutions, as a substitute for the Report of yesterday:

Whereas, This Convention is painfully impressed with the conviction of the inability of our beloved Diocesan, from what is believed to be a permanent cause of infirmity, to discharge the duties of the Episcopate; and, whereas, he has assented to the election of an Assistant Bishop; therefore,

Resolved, That an Assistant Bishop be elected by this Convention, with the understanding that, as soon as possible, the Diocese is to be divided.

Resolved, That the Convention expects the Assistant Bishop to hold the Rectorship, for the present, of some Parish in the Diocese, and thus, with the co-operation of the rest of the Diocese, secure a support.

Resolved, That the aggregate amount of the salary to be paid to the Assistant Bishop be — Dollars per annum.

Mr. J. H. Haughton moved to amend by dividing the first resolution, after the word "Convention."

Maj. John Hughes moved to amend, by striking out all of the first Resolution after the word *Convention*, and inserting "without intending hereby to express any opinion against the propriety of a division of the Diocese, whenever the same may be deemed expedient."

Gen. W. R. Cox moved to lay the whole subject on the table.

A vote by Orders was called for.

The motion was lost: the Clergy voting, Ayes 6, Noes 20; the Parishes voting, Ayes 8, Noes 11.

The question recurring upon the amendment of Maj. Hughes, it was adopted.

Mr. Haughton withdrew his motion to amend.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset moved: That the Report of the Committee in relation to the appointment of an Assistant Bishop and the division of the Diocese be laid over for the consideration of a future Convention.

The vote by Orders being demanded, the Resolution was lost by a vote of—Clergy, Ayes 9, Noes 15; and Parishes, Ayes 11, Noes 8.

The question being upon the adoption of the Resolutions reported by the Committee, as amended, and the vote by Orders being called for, the Resolutions were lost—the Clergy voting, Ayes 16, Noes 7; and the Parishes, Ayes 9, Noes 10.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock P. M.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

Col. S. L. Fremont offered the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That when this Convention completes the business before it at this place, it adjourn to meet in *Special Session*, in St. Stephen's Church, Golds-



borough, on the Third Wednesday in November next, for the purpose of considering the whole subject of an Assistant Bishop, with the understanding that it has full powers, and that it will be eminently proper for it to dispose of that question for the best interests of the Church.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to notify the proper authority in each Parish, of this adjourned meeting and its object.

Resolved, That a Committee of seven Laymen be appointed by the Chair, to represent, as far as practicable, the different sections of the State, whose duty it shall be to ascertain what means can be raised to aid in support of an Assistant Bishop. The members of this Committee to correspond with the Vestry and others of each Parish, and see what the people of each locality have to say on this subject. The Committee to report all the facts, and their opinion to the adjourned session before mentioned.

The Resolutions were voted upon seriatim, and were all adopted.

The Chair appointed Col. S. L. Fremont, Gen. W. R. Cox, John Wilkes, John Hughes, Gen. J. G. Martin, Thomas B. Hill and R. T. Fulghum to compose the Committee.

On motion, the following elections were made:

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE—Rev. J. C. Huske, Rev. R. B. Sutton, C. T. Haigh, R. P. Buxton, C. B. Mallett.

John Wilkes, Treasurer of the University of the South, for North Carolina.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE—Rev. A. A. Watson, J. G. Burr, P. K. Dickinson.

John Wilkes, Treasurer of the Convention.

TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH—Rev. M. A. Curtis, D.D., Hon. Thomas Ruffin, Dr. A. J. DeRosset.

CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE—Rev. W. E. Snowden, Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Rev. M. M. Marshall, Dr. T. D. Warren, Col. W. F. Martin.

The Committee appointed to prepare an Address on the subject of Diocesan Missions, offered the following Report and Resolutions:

#### REPORT OF ADDRESS ON DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Committee to whom it was referred to prepare an Address on the sub-

ject of Diocesan Missions, to be presented by the Clergy, in the name of this Convention, to their respective charges, beg leave to make the following Report:

DEAR BRETHREN:—The Convention of the Church, convened at Newbern, addresses you on the subject of our Diocesan Missions. It calls your earnest attention to the very unsatisfactory condition of Missionary operations in this Diocese; to the great importance of making these operations wide-spread and effective; and to the way in which, it is hoped, the funds necessary to the successful conduct of this most important branch of our work may be supplied.

Those causes which have prostrated our whole country, have not been without their necessary effect upon our Church, and every work she has in hand. The Missionary Treasury is comparatively empty. If we except the assessments for Missionary purposes, brought to the present Convention, the Missionary Committee are without funds; and these assessments, in not a few cases, have fallen much behind the amount levied. The consequence is, that the Diocese is doing no Missionary work (properly speaking,) and a Christian interest of the utmost importance, one which has the highest claim upon your sympathy, your prayers, and your liberality, is in a languishing and low condition.

We must ever look to our Missionary operations as, under God, one among the chief agencies to extend and perpetuate Christian principles and influence. An efficient Missionary organization is a great need among us. In nearly all our towns, and, to some extent, in the country, the Church exists and thrives under the control of resident Clergymen. But it is upon an efficient and purely Missionary organization, that we must almost solely rely to carry her, and her holy, elevating influences, to the rural population of the State. And at this time peculiar reasons attach a singular importance to such an organization. Prostrated by the fearful struggle through which we have lately passed, not a few Parishes, formerly self-supporting (in whole or in part,) are now without Ministers. If the Missionary be not sent to these weakened Parishes, the weakening process, under the influence of a continued suspension of churchly ministrations, will, in nearly every case, go on, to the great detriment of a cause which should be dear to your hearts—the cause of Christ and His Church.

While we are fully sensible of your greatly diminished pecuniary ability, it is believed, that a very considerable degree of unconscious strength yet remains in the Church, and that systematic efforts to develop this strength for the purpose of providing for Missionary labor, would yield an amount which, though not equal to the demand, would make our Missionary organization an effective instrumentality. Laying to heart (as we ought) the importance of the object, it should not content us to make up the assessment imposed on each Parish for Missionary purposes; we should feel bound to go beyond this, and self-denying, systematic charity would, it is thought, enable us to go beyond this. The Convention therefore recommends, that every Churchman and every Parish within the Diocese begin at once a systematic method of giving in aid of Diocesan Missions, believing that, were we to follow strictly the Apostolic rule, and lay up in store every week even a very trifling sum for this object, the aggregate of these offerings throughout the Diocese, in the course of a year, would eventually, under God's blessing, send the Church, like a beam of light, from one end of the State to the other.

Resolved, That we request the publication of this Address in the Church Intelligencer; and that the Clergy, in presenting it, in the name of the Convention,



to their several charges, illustrate and enforce it by such accompanying remarks, as to them may seem proper.

Rev. EDWARD W. GILLIAM,  
Rev. JARVIS BUXTON,  
Rev. W. E. SNOWDEN,  
Committee.

### On motion of Rev. Jarvis Buxton,

Whereas, It is highly important for the interests of the Church in this Diocese, at this time in particular, that preparation be making, in order to use with effect and without delay, the Church property at Asheville for the purposes of a Theological Seminary, in connection with an Associated Mission; therefore,

Resolved, That an agent be sent abroad by the Standing Committee, in the absence of the Bishop, to solicit funds for carrying these purposes into effect, with the aid, if possible, of the General Domestic Committee, and that he be commended by this Convention to the Christian attentions and charities of the members and Ministers of this Church.

### On motion of Rev. F. W. Hilliard,

Resolved, That the Executive Missionary Committee be instructed to consider and report to the next Annual Convention, whether there cannot be a system of itinerant Missionary labor set on foot, by which all the settled Clergy of the Diocese shall regularly each year make Missionary journeys, by two and two, of say a month's duration, in those regions where the Church is unknown.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

Rev. E. W. Gilliam preached the Missionary Sermon, in the evening, from Mal. iii, 8. A collection of \$104 60, was made.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 2—9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Roll was called.

The Minutes were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Thos. B. Hill, he was allowed to withdraw from the Committee of seven, appointed to report to the Adjourned Convention, and Dr. Wm. A. B. Norcum of Edenton was substituted.

The Committee on the State of the Church made the following Report:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church respectfully represent, that Parochial Reports have been received from fifty-three Parishes and Missionary Stations, besides two Army Chaplaincies; leaving eighteen Parishes from which no report (except of a few individual acts) has been received. From those received the Committee have gathered the following summary, viz:

Baptisms—Infant, white 300, colored 121; Adult, white 102, colored 23; age or color not specified 8. Total 554.

Confirmations—White 212, colored 30, not specified 24. Total 266.

Marriages—White 84, colored 185, not specified 5. Total 274.

Funerals—White 259, colored 39, not specified 49. Total 347.

Catechumens—White 624, colored 497, not specified 256. Total 1,422.

Communicants—White 1,637, colored 177, not specified 637. Total 2,451.

Contributions \$13,753 60.

Some of these items might be increased from the Bishop's Address, in the cases of Parishes visited by him, but from which no Parochial Report has been received. On the other hand, it should be noted that, in four instances, the Reports have included the work of two years.

The Committee respectfully urge upon the Parishes greater punctuality in making their returns, and more care in specifying certain particulars, such as those of age and color.

There are now five candidates preparing for Deacon's Orders.

Four Clergymen have left the Diocese during the past year, and one has been received into it.

Though our pecuniary affairs are wearing a more cheerful aspect, and we hope that the Church's work, in this respect, will continue to improve, we regret to notice the large deficiencies shown by the reports of the Treasurer, and especially the fact that only \$963 54 had, up to the time of balancing his accounts, been paid upon the Bishop's salary.

The Committee rejoice to see, by the Parochial Reports and other sources of information before them, that the Church in North Carolina is alive to the duty of laboring for the religious instruction and moral improvement of the colored race; and they hope that she will be able to devise and carry out measures, still more effective, for their spiritual benefit. In this connection, the Committee beg leave earnestly to commend to the attention of the Diocese the forcible and clear statement made on this subject by the Bishop in his Address to this Convention.

ALFRED A. WATSON, Chairman.

A tabular view of the Parochial Reports before the Committee will be presented as an Appendix to the Journal.

A. A. W.

Mr. John Wilkes offered the following Preamble and Resolutions, and moved their reference to the Adjourned Convention, to be held at Goldsborough:

Whereas, The Standing Committee in their Report state that there has been a colored applicant for Orders, and action upon the case postponed and referred to this Convention:

Resolved, That the sense of this Convention is that the application of colored

persons for Orders, should be granted, when the candidates are properly qualified.

Mr. Haughton objected that the Resolution was out of order.

The Chair decided that the Resolution was in order.

Mr. Haughton appealed from the decision of the Chair.

A vote by Orders was demanded, which resulted as follows: Clergy, Ayes 10, Noes 5; Parishes, Ayes 2, Noes 9.

The Convention adjourned until 4 o'clock P. M.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

On motion of Rev. F. W. Hilliard,

Resolved, That the question of a future division of the Diocese be referred to the adjourned meeting of the Convention to be held at Goldsborough.

On motion of Mr. John Wilkes,

Resolved, That the Convention of this Diocese having received information of the bequest of the late Mrs. Chapaud of New York, of \$1000 to St. Peter's Church, Washington, \$1000 to the fund for disabled Clergy, and \$1000 for the orphans of Clergy, desires hereby to express their gratitude for so liberal and timely a bequest, and requests the Secretary of the Convention to transmit to the family of the late Mrs. Chapaud a copy of this resolution.

Rev. E. W. Gilliam offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That a Board consisting of three Clergymen and three Laymen, of which the Bishop of the Diocese shall be, *ex officio*, Chairman, be annually elected, to whom the furtherance of the objects embodied in the Resolutions relating to the interests of the colored people among us shall be committed.

While this Resolution was under discussion, a call of the House was ordered. A quorum was not present.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 6 o'clock A. M., Monday.

Sunday morning, Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D.D., preached, The Communion was administered.

A collection of \$26 was made for the Education Fund.

Sunday evening, Rev. Jos. W. Murphy preached the Sermon, from Nahum i, 1.

MONDAY, JUNE 4—6 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The President being absent in consequence of indisposition, Rev. E. M. Forbes was called to the Chair.

The Minutes of Saturday were read and approved.

On motion of Rev. Jos. W. Murphy,

Whereas, In the mysterious providence of God, our beloved brother, the Rev. Robert A. Castleman, has been removed from the world by a violent death; therefore,

Resolved, That the Church in this Diocese has lost an able, faithful and efficient Priest, the Clergy, an affectionate, genial companion and brother, and his family a loving father and husband.

Resolved, That this Convention deeply sympathize with his greatly afflicted family, and do hereby unanimously tender to them the assurance of the profound sorrow with which it has learned the irreparable loss they have sustained.

Resolved, That this Preamble and these Resolutions be published in the Journal of this Convention.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at Goldsborough, on November 21st, 1866.

W. N. TILLINGHAST, Sec'y.



## APPENDIX.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

*Report of Rev. S. S. Barber, Missionary in Hyde County.*

I came to this interesting, though hitherto neglected field, about the 1st of April last. Owing to the extreme scarcity of horses, and the consequent want of traveling facilities, I have, as yet, been able to establish appointments at only three different points in the County, and the whole ground, thus occupied, does not exceed an area of ten miles. At all these places the congregations are respectable, and many of them express themselves well-pleased with our beautiful Liturgy, and are anxious to procure Prayer Books. As far as I have been able to ascertain, there are about ten resident Communicants in the County; two candidates for Confirmation, with many who are well-wishers of the Church, and, by friendly intercourse and pastoral oversight, may be brought into her Communion. Had this field been cultivated and occupied by the Church in better and more prosperous days, there is but little room to doubt that we, to-day, would have had, not only an organized Parish, but a consecrated Church, in Hyde County. But now, in the present impoverished condition of our Diocese, this is an object not attainable. Meanwhile, the material wherewith to build up the spiritual house here is abundant, and your Missionary can but labor and pray for the prosperity of Zion, and look to God for a blessing upon his labors.

S. S. BARBER.

## CALVARY CHURCH, WADESBOROUGH.

Rev. C. T. BLAND, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 5, colored 1; colored Adult 1,	7
Catechumens—White,	12
Communicants—Number last year, white 30, colored 3; lost by removal, white 1, colored 2; total now, white 29, colored 1,	30
Marriages—White 1, colored 3,	4
Funerals—White 4, colored 2,	6
Contributions—Bishop's salary, &c.	\$29 00
Other objects,	7 98
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C. T. BLAND.

*Report of Rev. James Briscoe, Deacon.*

The undersigned respectfully reports, that he is acting as Assistant to the

Rev. Meyer Lewin, B.D., Rector of King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's County, Maryland, with whom he has been since October 1865—the Bishop having granted me the privilege I enjoy in being with him.

Besides assisting in the services of the Church, I have preached quite frequently; baptized 4 Infants, married 3 couple, officiated at 3 funerals, and have catechised the children twice.

JAMES BRISCOE.

### TRINITY CHURCH, ASHEVILLE.

Rev. JARVIS BUXTON, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	4
Confirmations—(No Episcopal visitation.)	
Communicants—Present number,	38
Funerals—Infant 2, Adult 3,	5
Contributions—Assessment (in full,)	\$40 00
Offerings since August 6, 1865,	69 51

The Vestry appropriated the Offerings towards the support of the Minister.

A Parish has been formed in Waynesville, and will apply for admission into union with the Diocese, at this Convention. They greatly desire a Minister or Missionary to be sent among them; and there is every prospect for great usefulness in that region.

JARVIS BUXTON.

### CALVARY CHURCH, TARBOROUGH.

Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 4, colored 1, white Adult 1,	6
Catechumens—White,	50
Confirmations—White,	8
Communicants—White 47, colored 4,	51
Marriages—White 3, colored 6,	9
Funerals,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$60 00
Bishop's salary,	70 00
Relief Fund,	20 00
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	\$150 00

### TRINITY CHURCH, SCOTLAND NECK.

Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 7, colored 2,	9
Catechumens,	12
Confirmations,	5
Communicants—White 75, colored 12,	87
Marriages—White 3, colored 1,	4
Funerals,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$60 00
Bishop's salary,	70 00

Relief Fund,	20 00
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	\$150 00

JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE.

## ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH.

Rev. M. A. CURTIS, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 2, colored 2, colored Adult 1,	5
Communicants—White, number last year 62; added by first Com- munion 2, by removal 4; lost by removal 7, with- drawn 1; total now,	62
Funerals—White 2, colored 1,	3
Contributions—For Diocesan Missions, Bishop's salary and Relief Fund,	\$175 00
Other objects,	100 00
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	\$275 00

## ST. MARY'S CHAPEL, ORANGE.

Rev. M. A. CURTIS, D.D., Minister.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Communicants—White,	8
Religious Services monthly.	M. A. CURTIS.

## CHRIST CHURCH, NEWBERN.

Rev. E. M. FORBES, Rector.

I took charge of this congregation on the first of January 1866, and found it much affected in every way by the war.

Catechumens,	100
Baptisms—Infant, white 9, colored 1; white Adult 1,	11
Marriages—White 2, colored 2,	4
Burials,	6
Communicants—White 60, colored 15,	75
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$104 00
Missionary Fund,	84 00
Relief Fund,	21 00
Parochial purposes,	400 00
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	\$609 00

E. M. FORBES.

*Report of the Rev. Edward W. Gilliam.*

My last Report does not appear in the Journal of the proceedings of the Council, which convened in Raleigh, Sept. 13th, 1865. I was sick at the time this Council convened, and when I sent in my Report, it seems it was too late for insertion in the Journal.

Necessity obliged me to resign my charge of St. Paul's Church, Louisburg, on

the 29th of last November. In the interval between the meeting of the Council in September, and my resignation, I read the burial service over the remains of three persons in this Parish. Since last November I have been without a charge, but have occasionally officiated at Windsor and in other Parishes, administering baptism to an Infant in the former place, and have also, to some extent, assisted the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Rector of St. Paul's, Edenton.

EDWARD W. GILLIAM.

*Report of Rev. Israel Harding, in charge of the Missionary Field in Beaufort County, assisted by Rev. Luther Eborn, Deacon.*

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, BATH.

Baptisms—White Adult 1, colored Infant 3,	4
Funerals,	3
Communicants—White 30, colored 1,	31
Marriages,	2
Catechumens—White 20, colored 20,	40
Contributions, (for Assessment.)	\$3 50

ZION CHURCH.

Baptisms—White Infant,	16
Confirmations,	4
Communicants—White,	50
Contributions, (for Assessment.)	\$2 20

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, DURHAM'S CREEK.

Baptisms—White Infant,	1
Funerals,	2
Communicants—White,	8
Marriage,	1
Contributions, (for Assessment.)	\$20 00

MISSIONARY STATION AT PUNGO.

Communicants, *	6
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Besides regular services performed in each of the above Parishes, several Missionary points are regularly visited and the services at those places are appreciated by the people, but owing to the low state of finances little has been done yet for the support of the Church.

There has been no Episcopal visitation in St. John's and St. Thomas's Parishes for several years, which accounts for there being no Confirmations reported, but a number of candidates are awaiting the Bishop's visit.

ISRAEL HARDING.

LUTHER EBORN.

*Report of Rev. T. B. Haughton, (late Chaplain 50th N. C. T.)*

Circumstances were such as to prevent this Report being made to last Council. I remained with the Army until the surrender of the forces under Gen. Joe-



E. Johnston. Besides the ordinary regular duties of public worship and ministrations to the sick and wounded, I performed the following official acts: Baptisms, white, Adult 4, Infant 6; Marriages, white 3; Funerals, white 14.

#### GRACE CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

Rev. T. B. HAUGHTON, Deacon.

Baptisms—Infant 2, colored 2,	4
Confirmations—White,	3
Communicants—White 30, colored 2,	32
Marriages—White 1, colored 2,	3
Funerals—White 8, colored 1,	9
Catechumens—White,	30
S. S. Teachers,	8

On my return to this Parish, May 8th, 1865, much to my disappointment and sorrow, I found the Church building deprived of chancel furniture, pews and windows, one of the painful effects of a disastrous and desolating war, in consequence of which I have not until lately been able to officiate at Plymouth with any degree of regularity. The Vestry have recently taken steps to put the Church edifice in condition for public worship and the work is now going on to completion. This Parish is indebted to the builder of Grace Church, to the amount of nearly four hundred dollars. This is a source of painful regret, inasmuch as the pecuniary condition of the Parish is such as to preclude all hopes of a speedy liquidation of the debt. Many of its beloved and most useful members were refugees during the recent conflict and are now residing in other Parishes. Their loss is keenly felt by the Church in this part of the Lord's vineyard. The members of this Parish, as well as those of St. Luke's and of the Church of the Advent, Williamston, are in such reduced condition as to be unable to meet the assessments of their respective Parishes. As I receive no salary from the congregations I serve, the Bishop has directed me to apply the Sunday collections to my support, which I have done; the amount in all being about twenty-five dollars.

#### ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Rev. T. B. HAUGHTON, Missionary.

Baptisms—White Infant 10, white Adult 4,	14
Confirmations—White,	5
Communicants—White 10, colored 2,	12
Marriages—White 3, colored 1,	4
Funerals—White,	3

For nearly twelve months I have been serving the people of this Parish. On the second Sunday of each month I preach at St. Luke's, and on every fifth Sunday at a school-house some twelve miles from Plymouth. The services at these points have not been very largely attended, owing to the scarcity of conveniences.

## CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, WILLIAMSTON.

Rev. T. B. HAUGHTON, Missionary.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 1; colored Adult 1,	3
Communicants—White 10, colored 3,	13
Catechumens—White,	25
Sunday School Teachers,	5

Since March 18th I have been performing monthly services in this Parish to well-attending and apparently interested congregations. I have abundant reason to believe that the Church in this place would rapidly increase could the people be more frequently served. There are now at this point, awaiting the Bishop's visitation, eight candidates for Confirmation. A Sunday School, under favorable auspices, has been organized and is now in a prosperous condition. This Parish has sustained a severe blow in the loss of one of its most faithful and energetic members, Lt. Col. John C. Lamb, who fell mortally wounded in the engagement at Bermuda Hundreds. He was for some time a Vestryman, and kept constantly in view the good of the Church, and was untiring in his efforts to promote the spiritual welfare of the flock of which he was a consistent and worthy member.

T. B. HAUGHTON.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

Rev. T. G. HAUGHTON, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 6, Adult 3,	9
Catechumens—White,	68
Confirmations, (no visitation.)	
Communicants—No. last year, white 72, colored 2; added by first Communion, white 7, by removal, white 7; lost by death, white 1, by removal, white 5; total now, white 80, colored 2,	82
Marriages—White 2, colored 1,	3
Funerals—White,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$50 00
Bishop's salary,	60 00
Relief Fund,	20 00
Parochial objects.	224 50
Other objects,	240 00
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T. G. HAUGHTON.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EDENTON.

Rev. FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Adult 1, Infant 4,	5
Confirmations—White 10, colored 1,	11
Communicants (about)	100
Catechumens—White, (about)	30

Marriage—White,	1
Burials—White 4, colored 1,	5
Offerings—Bishop's Fund,	\$182 00
Diocesan Missions,	128 00
Grace Church, Plymouth,	130 00
Parochial,	100 30
Bishop's visit to Europe,	100 00
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	\$640 30

During the late war, after the departure from Edenton of the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Johnston, who left home in February 1862, and was for a long time prevented, chiefly by protracted illness, from returning to his charge, this Parish was faithfully served by the Rev. Henry A. Skinner, to whom the thanks of the congregation, as they are eminently due, are hereby heartily tendered. Dr. Johnston returned in the Fall of 1864, but was unable to officiate more than once or twice. Mr. Skinner left about Easter 1865, and from that time until the following October, except on one or two occasions, the Church remained closed. Dr. Johnston died in August 1865, and thus was removed from the scene of his earnest and remarkably successful earthly labors to his joyous rest in Paradise, one, whose loss the Church in the whole Diocese, and especially the older Clergy, must have felt profoundly, and who, to his Parish, had become, through his long ministrations among them, extending over nearly thirty years, and his noble and beautiful traits of character as a Christian man and a Christian Priest, a father, beloved and revered beyond expression.

In October 1865, I arrived in Edenton, having secured the charge of the Academy in this place, as a necessary means of livelihood for my family, and at the request of the congregation, immediately opened the Church, and officiated regularly until Easter, assisted frequently by the Rev. E. W. Gilliam, and also, at different times, by the Rev. B. S. Bronson of Maryland, and the Rev. Mr. Skinner. On Easter Monday a Vestry was elected, and soon thereafter I was called to the Rectorship, and entered upon my duties on the fourth Sunday after Easter, April 29th.

Most of the members of the congregation, who were absent during the war, have returned, rejoiced to find the beautiful and venerable Church quite uninjured, and the town resuming, by degrees, its wonted appearance. Sad changes, however, have taken place in the congregation. The former Senior Warden, Dr. Wm. C. Warren, has permanently removed; the Junior Warden, Mr. Wm. Badham, whose faithful services, for many years, as treasurer, were of vast benefit to the Rector and the Parish, died in 1863; and two of the leading Vestrymen, and most earnest friends of the Church, Maj. T. L. Skinner and E. C. Hines, Esq., fell victims to the hand of war, the former on the battle-field, and the latter from sickness contracted in camp. To a great extent another generation has come forward to assist in carrying on the work of the Church, but the interest and zeal, which many of them manifest, give good augury for the prosperity of this ancient Parish.

So far as I have been able to ascertain, the Vestry books and Parish Register are either lost or stolen. They run back to the early part of the last century,

and, if not recovered, will prove a serious loss, not only to the Parish, but to the Church at large. Without a Register, it is difficult to arrive at an exact list of Communicants, but the number given above approximates quite nearly to correctness.

The colored people, of whom there are very many in and about the town who have been baptized in the Church, and not a few who have been Communicants, engage my serious thoughts, and I hope soon to be guided to the adoption of some plan for their instruction, which shall secure to them the inestimable blessing of the Church's guidance.

The length of this Report must be accounted for by the fact, that the Diocese has heard but little from St. Paul's, Edenton, in the last five years.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD.

#### IMMANUEL CHURCH, WARRENTON.

Rev. W. HODGES, D.D., Rector.

This congregation has suffered much from changes consequent on the late war, and will likely suffer more.

Baptisms—White Infant,	4
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Communicants—Last reported 110, removed 24, died 1; present No.	85
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Marriages—White 1, colored 4,	5
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In addition to the above, I have solemnized, since my last report, 114 marriages under military regulations for Freedmen.

Funerals,	4
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Contributions—Bishop's salary and Contingent Fund,	\$82 00
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Relief Fund,	25 00
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Diocesan Missions,	50 00
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W. HODGES.

#### *Report of Rev. N. Collin Hughes, Rector of Trinity Church, Beaufort County, and St. Paul's Church, Greenville.*

Early in October last, I resigned the charge of St. James's Church, Hendersonville, and removed with my family to the Eastern part of the Diocese. During several months while without a Parish, I officiated in Marlborough, Pitt County. In January I took charge of St. Paul's Church, Greenville, at which place I hold monthly services. In the beginning of May I accepted an invitation to the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Beaufort County.

#### TRINITY CHURCH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Rev. N. COLLIN HUGHES, Rector.

Marriage,	1
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Funeral,	1
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Communicants—White 21, colored 2,	23
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Contributions—Episcopal Fund,	\$12 00
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Missionary Fund,	20 00
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Relief Fund,	5 00
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## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GREENVILLE.

Rev. N. COLLIN HUGHES, Rector.

Baptism—White Adult,	1
Marriage,	1
Communicants—White,	22
Contributions—Episcopal Fund,	\$8 00
Missionary Fund,	10 00
Relief Fund,	3 00
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	\$21 00

N. COLLIN HUGHES.

## ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GOLDSBOROUGH.

Rev. W. C. HUNTER, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Adult 2, Infant 7,	9
Confirmations—White,	17
Communicants—Number last year 30; added 17; total now,	47
Marriages—White 6, colored 3,	9
Funerals—White,	4
Contributions—Bishop's Salary and Contingent,	\$25 00
Missionary Fund,	30 00
Relief Fund,	10 00
For other purposes,	267 72
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	\$332 72

## ST. MARY'S, KINSTON.

Rev. W. C. HUNTER, Rector.

I have not been able to continue regular services in this Parish. I have visited it occasionally during the past year, and baptized 1 white Adult, and 2 white Infants, and buried 2 white Adults.

W. C. HUNTER.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

Rev. J. C. HUSKE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 8, colored 4; Adult, white 1, colored 1,	14
Confirmations—White 17, colored 3,	20
Communicants—No. last year, white 183, colored 14; added by first Communion, white 17, colored 3; by removal, white 3; lost by death, white 2, colored 1; by withdrawal, colored 1; by removal, white 25; total now, white 176, colored 15,	191
Catechumens,	80
Marriages—White 6, colored 2,	8
Funerals—White 11, colored 1,	12
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$250 00
Diocesan Missions,	100 00

Widow's Fund,	50 00
Parochial Charity,	117 02
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This Parish has lost very heavily by removals during the past year, and it is probable will continue to do so, for some time. It is also very greatly impoverished, and not by any means able to hold the position which it has heretofore occupied, with relation to the material support of the Church. I suggest therefore that the assessment on this Parish be reduced, as we do not wish to seem to be what we are not able to be. At the same time, I rejoice to believe, that while God has taken away our worldly goods, He has increased our faith and made us more sensible of the inestimable value of our most Holy Religion.

J. C. HUSKE.

### ST. PAUL'S COLORED MISSION, WILMINGTON.

Rev. RICH'D H. JONES, Deacon in charge.

At the time of the last Diocesan Convention I was officiating in Edgecombe, Nash and Halifax, under the direction of Rev. Dr. Cheshire. In December I removed to Wilmington, and in February was appointed by the Bishop to the charge of a colored congregation in the latter place, worshipping in St. Paul's Church.

This congregation has been formed in good part of materials gathered from the congregations of St. James's and St. John's, and from the former one of St. Paul's Parish. So far its success has equalled our expectations. Regular services have been held every Lord's day and night through the winter, and upon Wednesday night. Many of the congregation read very well, and the responses are very creditably made.

There is also a colored school indirectly connected with the Mission, numbering more than 200 children, and taught by two ladies, communicants of the Church, sent out and supported by the Freedmen's Commission of the Episcopal Church.

It is hoped that the Mission will prove beneficial, not only to the Freedmen, but also to the community in general, by inculcating principles of order and law, and substituting, for the fanatical instructions to which that class would otherwise be subjected, the sound conservative teachings of the Church.

Since the opening of the Mission there have been:

Baptisms—Infant 8, Adult 2,	10
Confirmations,	14
Marriages,	4
Funeral,	1

It has been so far impossible to make an accurate list of Communicants. At present we register 39.

RICH'D H. JONES.

### TRINITY PARISH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Rev. S. W. KENNERLY, late Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 1, children 2,	3
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Confirmations,

6

Burials,

7

This Parish, from its exposed situation and various other causes, has suffered very much from the effects of the war. My connection with the Parish ceased on the 15th of May last.

### ROACH'S STATION, CRAVEN COUNTY.

Rev. S. W. KENNERLY, Minister.

With the advice of the Bishop I have opened a Mission Station some six miles from Swift Creek, immediately on the Greenville road, known as Roach's Station. The prospects for a Church are flattering. I trust it will not be very long before we shall have a permanent house of worship erected.

I have also regular monthly services at a place known as The Rose of Sharon, in Lenoir County. This is also wholly Mission ground. Large congregations attend the Church services, and the prospects for Church extension are good.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PITT COUNTY.

Rev. S. W. KENNERLY, Minister.

Baptisms—Adult, white 5, colored 1; white children 12;	18
Confirmations—White 9, colored 1.	10
Burials,	3
Communicants—White 30, colored 3,	33

This Church is in a flourishing condition. There are now prepared, and awaiting the Episcopal visitation, some fourteen or fifteen candidates for confirmation.

### ST. PAUL'S PARISH, SWIFT CREEK.

Rev. S. W. KENNERLY, Minister.

This place is a Parish only in name. I visit it and do work in it as a Mission Station. It has greatly suffered from the contending armies during the late war. There are some four or five Communicants. No place at present fit to hold service in. I have held the funeral service on two occasions.

S. W. KENNERLY.

### CHRIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY.

Rev. M. M. MARSHALL, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 1, Adult 4,	5
Catechumens,	46
Confirmations—White,	12
Communicants—White 68, colored 4,	72
Marriages—White,	2
Burial—White Infant,	1
Contributions—Bishop's salary and contingent,	\$40 00
Missionary Fund.	50 00

Relief Fund,	20 00
Weekly Offerings,	92 07
Communion Offerings (not elsewhere reported,)	16 02
Bishop's journey abroad,	36 00
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The above Table exhibits the statistics of this Parish only since the beginning of the present ecclesiastical year—December 3d, 1865—when I took charge of it.

Since my last Report was made out, I have performed, at the request of the Rectors of the several Parishes, the following special services, possibly not elsewhere reported: At St. Paul's, Louisburg, the Rector being sick, buried an Adult; at Christ Church, Raleigh, the Rector being sick, buried an Infant; at Trinity Church, Portsmouth, Va., the Rector being sick, baptized, on sick beds, two Adults and an Infant, one of which Adults and the Infant I afterwards buried; in St. Paul's Church, Edenton, married a couple; and at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford, during the absence of the Rector, I buried an eminently pious Communicant of the Church, and highly esteemed citizen of that place—the late Major Lucius J. Johnson.

M. M. MARSHALL.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, RALEIGH.

Rev. R. S. MASON, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 4, colored 1,	5
Catechumens—About,	115
Communicants—No. last year 156; added by first Communion, white 7, colored 1; by removal, white 2, colored 1; lost by death, white 4, colored 1; by removal, white 12, colored 3; present number,	147
Marriages—White,	4
Funerals—White,	9
Contributions for various objects,	\$1,650

R. S. MASON.

#### *Report of Rev. T. S. W. Mott, residing in Catawba County.*

I have performed occasional services in Charlotte and Lincolnton for the last two years, together with one private baptism of a child in the family of Dr. J. L. Mott, his oldest son.

T. S. W. MOTT.

#### CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, HENDERSON.

Rev. JOSEPH W. MURPHY, Rector.

Baptism—Colored Infant,	1
Catechumens—Whole number attending since Christmas 41; average attendance 24; now on roll,	28
Confirmations—(Bishop not being able to visit the Parish.)	0
Marriages—White 4, colored 7,	11
Burials—White 1, colored 1,	2
Communicants—No. last year, white 35, colored 7; lost by removal,	



white 3; added by first Communion, white 3,  
colored 3; by removal, white 5; total now, white  
40, colored 10,

50

Contributions—To make up deficiency on assessment last year,	\$9 75
Bishop's salary,	25 00
Bishop's travelling expenses, (special.)	2 50
Diocesan Missions,	17 15
Relief Fund,	3 50
Parochial objects (not including Rector's salary,)	197 82
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	\$255 72

In addition to marriages reported above, I married a couple in Oxford, the Rector and one of his Parishioners. In Williamsborough I buried a beloved daughter of the Rector.

JOSEPH W. MURPHY.

*Report of Rev. Geo. Patterson, Assistant Minister, St. James's Parish, Wilmington.*

Owing to circumstances entirely beyond my control, I have been unable to report since the Council of 1864. At that time I was in the Army of Northern Virginia as Priest and Chaplain of the 3d Regiment N. C. Infantry. In the Autumn of 1864, on account of failing health, I was transferred to the Post-Chaplaincy of Chimborazo Hospital, Virginia; continuing, however, to serve my old command as need required, and opportunity offered.

In addition to these duties, during the Winter of 1864, at the instance of the Bishop, I celebrated the Holy Offices in behalf of several N. C. Brigades, which were on duty in the vicinity of Petersburg.

I served St. James's Parish, Wilmington, during the Summer of 1865, in the absence of the Rector; and on Advent Sunday entered upon my duties as Assistant Minister of that Parish.

Since my last report (made to the Council of 1864) I have celebrated the following offices, not reported in other Parishes, to-wit:

Baptisms—White, Infant 5, Adult 18; colored Adult 1,	24
Confirmation—White,	1
Marriages—White 2, colored 4,	6
Funerals—White,	30

GEO. PATTERSON.

*Report of Rev. G. W. Phelps, Deacon, officiating in St. David's Parish, Scuppernong.*

I have had no charge during part of the Conventional year. I was absent from the Diocese. I came here about the last of November; preached at intervals till 7th of January, from which time until the present I have held Divine Services regularly every Sabbath at St. David's, Scuppernong. Since last Convention I have Baptized—Infants, white 4, colored 3; Adult 1,—8. Also officiated at 4 Burials.

G. W. PHELPS.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSBOROUGH.

Rev. H. H. PROUT, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	4
Confirmations—White,	6
Communicants—Removed 9, died 1; present number	37
Marriages—White 1, colored 4,	5
Burials,	3
Contributions,	\$32

H. H. PROUT.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOUISBURG.

Rev. JOS. JAS. RIDLEY, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	4
Confirmations,	4
Communicants—Added 2; deceased 2; removed 2; present number,	23
Marriages—Colored,	3
Burials—White 10, colored 2,	12
Contributions—Bishop's salary, \$25; Missionary Fund, \$30; Relief \$10; \$65.	
(This amount was remitted to Treasurer 30th March last.)	
Communion Alms \$21 30; collections for other purposes \$9 75;—\$31 05.	

The present Rector entered upon the duties of this Parish on the last Sunday in January last. There has been no Episcopal visitation since then. I am happy to state that the condition of the Parish has improved to that degree, that it gives good promise of speedy recovery from the severe chastisements under which it has labored for several years.

I have entered upon the duties of Missionary to St. James's, Granville County, within a few weeks. I am unable to give any detailed account of the condition of things here; there are but very few Communicants; and of them, the larger portion are unable to contribute anything to the assessment; the amount last assessed is very much beyond the ability of the Parish. I am unable to collect it; and respectfully request that it be reduced to \$15.

JOS. JAS. RIDLEY.

## GRACE CHURCH, MORGANTON.

Rev. S. C. ROBERTS, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	3
Communicants—Number last year, white 47, colored 2; added by first Communion, white 1; lost by removal, white 1; total now, white 47, colored 2.	49
Marriages—White,	1
Burials—White,	3
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$15 00
Missionary Fund,	20 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
Education Fund.	2 00
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	\$42 00

## ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, LENOIR.

Rev. S. C. ROBERTS, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Communicants—No. last year 25, lost by removal 2; present No.,	23
Marriages—White,	2
Burials—White,	2
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$11 75
Missionary Fund,	15 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
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	\$31 75

S. C. ROBERTS.

## ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, RALEIGH.

Right Rev. THOS. ATKINSON, D.D., Visitor.

Rev. ALDERT SMEDES, D.D., Rector.

Rev. BENNET SMEDES, A.M., Assistant.

The present Term of the School will end on the 5th June. The next will commence July 17th.

The School is gradually rising to its former state of prosperity. Its income is now sufficient for its support, and the prospect for the future is cheering.

The resident Communicants are eight.

Pupils who are Communicants are reported by their respective Pastors.

The assessments made by the Convention have been paid.

ALDERT SMEDES.

*Report of Rev. W. E. Snowden, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford, Perquimons County.*

## ST. BARNABAS, WOODVILLE.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 3; white Adult 4,	8
Communicants—Lost by death 2; present number (white)	9

Confirmations and Convention offerings from this Parish are reported under the head of Holy Trinity, Hertford.

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, HERTFORD.

Baptisms—White, Infant 14, Adult 5,	19
Catechumens—White,	34
Confirmations—White 13, colored 1,	14
Communicants—Lost by death 1, by removal (white) 9; present No.	
white 41, colored 1,	42
Colored Sunday Scholars, about	50
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Burials—Adult, white 4; Infant, white 4, colored 1,	9
Assessments—Bishop's salary,	\$25 00
For the Bishop's visit abroad,	48 38
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	\$73 38

In the Parish of St. Paul's, Edenton, I have performed the following offices, viz: Baptisms, 1 white Adult; Marriages, 3 white; Funerals, 2 white Adults and 1 white Infant. One of these acts was the burial of my friend and father, venerated and dearly loved, the Rev. Samuel I. Johnston, D.D., in whose removal the Church of North Carolina has lost a most faithful Pastor and a most deeply learned and spiritual teacher. His heart was large and full of sympathy; his intellect was massive; and having a wonderful affinity for theological truth, he realized, himself, and made others feel, more than any other man I ever saw, the priestly character, in its power and grace of benediction. One soon felt in his society all that old Herbert makes one feel by his writings. He *lived* in the Church as in Christ: He now sleeps in Christ. May the Church in North Carolina have many such Priests!

W. E. SNOWDEN.

#### ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, PITTSBOROUGH.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 4, colored 4; white Adult 1,	9
Catechumens—White 30, colored 60,	90
Communicants—No. last year, white 47, colored 4; added by first Communion, white 5; by removal, white 7; lost by death, white 1; by removal, white 3, colored 1; present number, white 55, colored 3,	58
Marriages—White 3, colored 2,	5
Funerals—White 3, colored 1,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$50 00
Bishop's salary and Contingent Fund,	40 00
Relief Fund,	20 00
Parochial objects,	23 66
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	\$133 66

#### ST. MARK'S, DEEP RIVER.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Rector.

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Confirmations—White,	3
Communicants—No. last reported, white 11; added by first Communion 2; lost by death 1; by removal 1; present number, white,	11
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$12 00
Bishop's salary and Contingent Fund,	10 00
Relief Fund,	3 00
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	\$25 00

ROBERT B. SUTTON.

#### HAYWOOD, CHATHAM COUNTY.

Rev. R. B. SUTTON, }  
Rev. LUCIAN HOLMES, Deacon, } Missionaries.

Communicants—Last reported, white 7; added by removal, white 1, colored 2; present number, white 8, colored 2,	10
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There is a Sunday School at this place which is doing good service in leavening the population. The Sunday School services are kept up by the Rev. Mr. Holmes, with an occasional visit from the Rev. R. B. Sutton to administer the Holy Communion.

R. B. SUTTON.

LUCIAN HOLMES.

### ST. JOHN'S PARISH, WILMINGTON.

Rev. R. E. TERRY, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 34, colored 19; Adult, white 11, colored 2,	66
Catechumens—White 75, colored 5,	80
Confirmations—White,	16
Communicants—Added by first Communion, white 15; by removal,	
white 10; lost by death, white 5; by removal,	
white 6; transferred, white 1; total now, white	
66, colored 4,	70
Marriages—White 7, colored 7,	14
Funerals—White 29, colored 18,	47

R. E. TERRY.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CLINTON.

Rev. JOHN H. TILLINGHAST, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 3, colored 5; colored Adult 2.	10
Confirmations—White 6, colored 2,	8
Burials—White 3, colored 2,	5
Communicants,	40
Contributions—Amount of assessment,	\$45 00

This Parish is in a very hopeful condition. The Church is growing not only in numbers, but in its influence for good,—prejudice is wearing away. The interests of the Parish are, however, somewhat compromised by the unfinished state of the Church building, want of a bell, &c. At present funds are wanting to remedy this.

JOHN H. TILLINGHAST.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

Rev. MAURICE H. VAUGHAN, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Communicants,	66
Marriages—White 1, colored 8,	9
Funerals—White 2, colored 2,	4
Sunday School Scholars,	65
Teachers,	9
Contributions—Parochial objects,	\$305 90
Diocesan Missions,	30 00
Bishop's salary and Contingent Fund,	30 00
Relief Fund,	7 50
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	\$373 40

The amount reported for parochial objects includes one hundred and seventy-five dollars realized by a dinner and tableaux, for the purpose of putting a new enclosure around the Church; also thirty-two dollars subscribed by the children of the Sunday School for a new library, and nearly forty dollars collected by general subscription for a new stove. In making up these several amounts, it is difficult to say who were the most assiduous, the adults or the children: each one laboring most earnestly to make up the required amounts.

The Rector feels under many obligations for these kindnesses, and hopes that his people will continue to manifest the same zeal in behalf of the Church of God.

Besides the Sunday School reported, I may here say that I have organized one for the colored children, which has so far been perfectly successful,—the number of regular attendants being more than a hundred. They are taught entirely catechetically, and evince much interest.

In the Providence of God, everything in my Parish is most flourishing: large congregations; full Sunday School, both white and colored; and a willingness to give of their worldly goods for the benefit of the Church.

M. H. VAUGHAN.

#### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BEAUFORT.

Rev. D. D. VAN ANTWERP, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 6, colored 1,	7
Catechumens—(About) white 60, colored 12,	72
Confirmations—White 17, colored 4,	21
Communicants—Number last year, white 22, colored 2; added by first Communion, white 13, colored 4, ditto by removal, white 5; lost by death, white 1, ditto by removal, white 2, colored 2; total now, white 37, colored 4,	41
Pupils in St. Paul's School,	30
Marriages—White,	2
Funerals—White,	6
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$20 00
Bishop's salary,	15 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
Parochial objects,	485 70
Other objects,	38 10
	<hr/> \$563 80

D. D. VAN ANTWERP.

#### ST. JAMES'S PARISH, WILMINGTON.

Rev. ALFRED A. WATSON, Rector.

In consequence of being separated from my papers and the Parish Records, I was not able to report from the Parish of St. James at the time of the last Diocesan Convention. My present Report will therefore extend over two years, from the Convention of 1864, to the present.

Within this period there have been, between the Conventions of 1864 and 1865.—

Baptisms—Infant, white 41, colored 49; Adult, white 12, colored 2,	104
Confirmations—White,	13
Marriages—White 6, colored 3.	9
Funerals—White 57, colored 2.	59

Between the Conventions of 1865 and 1866:

Baptisms—Infant, white 25, colored 2; Adult, white 16, colored 8,	51
Confirmations—White,	45
Marriages—White 11, colored 1.	12
Funerals—White 27, colored 2.	29
Present number of Communicants, white, about	300

This includes services performed at Summerville, Bald Head and other outlying Stations, visited by the Clergy of the Parish. Ten of the funerals were of officers and soldiers who fell in the Confederate service. Three of the baptisms were of Confederate officers and soldiers, by Rev. Mr. Patterson, while with the Army as Chaplain of the 3d N. C. T. Three were of soldiers baptized by myself, in the Confederate Hospital in this place.

It will be observed that no colored confirmations or communicants are reported;—the colored congregation of St. Paul's having absorbed that portion of ~~my~~ own congregation.

It was the purpose of St. James's Parish to establish and maintain a Mission to the colored people of Wilmington; and steps to this end were taken in 1864, but were abandoned in consequence of the capture of Fort Fisher. The attempt was resumed in 1865, and the arrangements were partially completed. But the Bishop thinking it better that the colored Mission should be separate and independent, the measure was again abandoned; and the present organization of St. Paul's colored congregation substituted.

Previously to the occupation of the City by the U. S. Army in February 1865, I had obtained the Bishop's authority, in the event of such occupation, for the omission of the prayer for the President of the Confederate States. Upon the capture of the city, however, I was required by the U. S. Military authorities, furthermore, to use that for the President of the United States. This, I felt, I had no Canonical right to do; and for this reason, and because I would by its use have made myself a party to the infringement of the liberty of the Church, to direct her own worship, I refused compliance. The keys of the Church were then seized by military orders, emanating, I believe, from Maj. Gen. Schofield. Subsequently, the Church was seized by order of Brig. Gen. Jos. Hawley, (now Governor of Connecticut) for a military hospital. This was not the first calamity of the sort, in the history of the Parish Church of St. James. In 1780, during the occupation of Wilmington by the British troops, the Church was stripped of its pews and furniture, and converted, first into a hospital, then into a block-house, and finally into a riding-school for Tarleton's Dragoons.

In 1865, the pews were again torn out with pick-axes. The Pastor and people had quietly, however reluctantly, submitted to the change of authority. There was sufficient room elsewhere, more suitable for hospital purposes. Other hos-

pitals had to be emptied to supply even half the beds in the Church, which were indeed never much more than half filled.

Though, by the express admission of Gen. Hawley, I had committed no overt act of resistance to the authority of the U. S. after the occupation of the city, yet, upon the grounds of my political opinion, and supposed influence with my congregation, I was ordered to prepare to leave the lines;—a hardship, which was *delayed* by the courtesy of Gen. Hawley, but finally *prevented* only by the rapidly changing fortunes of the war.

During the Spring of 1865, and the occupation of the Church, I assembled the Communicants from house to house, for the breaking of Bread and Prayers.

After the surrender of the Confederate forces, and the re-establishment of the authority of the U. S. Government, I made application to the Secretary of War, for the restoration of the Church. This he promised, upon the condition of the use of the prayer for the President of the U. S.—a condition with which I was then prepared to comply, at the request of the Bishop.

Meantime, the efforts of the Rev. Mr. Patterson, who was supplying my place in my absence, had secured the same result from the local military authorities. But the Church building was very seriously damaged. An estimate of the amount necessary for its repair was forwarded to Washington, with an application for remuneration to that extent, but without success.

The congregation were thereby heavily taxed at a time when they could ill afford it. The work was, however, done; and upon the second Sunday in Advent 1865, the Church of St. James was re-opened for public worship.

All these circumstances: the failure of the Confederacy, and the consequent (almost) annihilation of individual incomes; the suspension of services, and of the offertory, and the special expenditures required to put the building into a condition to be re-occupied, have interfered materially with the ability of the congregation to contribute to the usual objects of beneficence. Yet their liberality has abounded, and seemed even to increase, and within the six months, during which we have been in possession of the Church, not only have the Diocesan assessments been all contributed at the public offertory, but in addition, a considerable sum for Parish purposes.

My report, in this respect also, must extend over two years, from the Convention of 1864 to the present.

From May 1st, 1864, to the capture of the town in February 1865,—a period of about nine months and a half—the receipts in Confederate currency, (independent of pew rents,) were:

At the public offertory,	\$14,677 04
By private offering,	6,876 96
	<hr/> \$21,554 00
Of this, there was contributed to	
The Contingent and Episcopal Fund,	\$1200 00
Diocesan Missions,	633 33
The Relief Fund,	4,053 00
Army objects of a religious character,	3,503 92
Parochial purposes,	9,149 43
Leaving for other purposes,	3,014 33



From the capture of the town, in February 1865, to May 1st, 1866, a period of about fourteen months and a half, the receipts in U. S. currency, independently of pew rents, have been:

At the public Offertory.	\$1,625 72
By private offering,	4,643 88
	<hr/> \$6,269 60

Of this there was contributed to

The Contingent and Episcopal Fund,	\$350 00
Diocesan Missions,	300 00
The Relief Fund,	106 46
Parochial purposes.	5,308 28
Other purposes,	204 86

In explanation of the contribution for Parochial purposes, it is well to mention that, by the liberality and forethought of a member of the Parish, a quantity of cotton was, before the capture of the town, placed in my hands for the relief of families suffering from the effects of the war. This, by the intervention of friends at the North, and the liberality of the U. S. Government, was protected, and, (by special orders from the Secretaries of War and the Treasury,) shipped under my direction, and to my own consignees, at a time when other shipments of cotton were prohibited by order of the Commander-in-Chief. By this means a fund of about \$3000 was realized at the period of most severe pressure, and converted into provisions for local distribution. The relief afforded by this measure can scarcely be exaggerated.

I desire, moreover, to acknowledge a contribution of \$100, received through Rev. Dr. Corcoran from Arch-Bishop Spalding (R. C.) of Baltimore, for the relief of sufferers by the war in my Parish.

In addition to the items reported above, there have been raised in the Parish, for purposes really Diocesan, since the first of May, nearly \$1200,—which, however, will fall more accurately within the acts of the next year.

In December 1864, the Right Rev. Thomas Atkinson, D.D., resigned the Rectorship of the Parish, and the Assistant Minister,—the Rev. A. A. Watson—succeeded to the office. In December 1865, the Rev. George Patterson was invited to become its Assistant Minister, an office which he accepted and still holds.

ALFRED A. WATSON.

*Report of Rev. George B. Wetmore, Rector of Christ Church,  
Rowan County, and other Parishes.*

CHRIST CHURCH, ROWAN.

Baptisms—White, Infant 4, Adult 3,	7
Communicants—No. last year, white 66, colored 15; added by first Communion, white 4, by removal 1, by transfer 1, by restoration 1; present number, white 72, colored. (on record.) 15.	87
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White,	4

Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$6 00
Diocesan Missions,	5 00
Relief Fund.	2 25
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	\$13 25

## ST. ANDREW'S, ROWAN.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 1,	2
Communicants—No. last year, white 26, colored 5; added by transfer, white 4; by restoration, colored 1; lost by transfer, white 3; by removal, colored 2; present number, white 27, colored 4,	31
Marriage—Colored,	1
Funerals—White,	3
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$5 00
Diocesan Missions,	5 00
Relief Fund,	2 55
Domestic and Foreign Missions,	4 00
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	\$16 55

## ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, IREDELL.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Communicants—No. last year, white 52, colored 11; added by first Communion, white 2; lost by death 1; by withdrawal 2; present number, white 51, colored 11,	63
Marriage—White,	1
Funeral—White,	1
Contribution—Bishop's salary.	\$2 90

## CHURCH OF THE REDEMPTION, LEXINGTON.

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Communicants—White,	7
Contribution—Bishop's salary.	\$3 75

At Huntsville and Mocksville services were discontinued, on Mr. Barber's removal, at the close of last year; before which time he had performed at the former place,

Baptism,	1
Funeral,	1

GEORGE B. WETMORE.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LINCOLNTON.

Rev. W. R. WETMORE, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, white 2, colored 1; Infant, white 21, colored 8,	32
Sunday Schools—Pupils, white 50, colored 50,	100
Confirmations—By Bishop Lay, white 11, colored 4,	15
Communicants—White 49, colored 16.	65

Marriage—Colored,	1
Funerals—White 4, colored 1,	5
Contributions—Parochial objects,	\$25 97
Assessments,	65 00
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## CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, SHELBY.

Rev. W. R. WETMORE, Rector.

Baptism—White,	1
Communicants,	3

In Charlotte I have baptized an Infant, and buried an Adult.

W R. WETMORE.

## SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS.

CHURCHES.	LOCATION.	Bishop's Salary and Contingent.	Mission- ary Fund.	Relief Fund.
Trinity Church.....	Asheville.....	\$15	\$20	\$5
St. Thomas's Church.....	Bath.....	15	20	5
St. Paul's Church.....	Beaufort.....	15	20	5
Trinity Chapel.....	Beaufort County...	25	30	10
Zion Chapel.....	" "	10	15	5
Grace Church.....	Bertie County.....	10	15	5
St. Peter's Church.....	Charlotte.....	60	60	20
St. Mark's Church... ..	Chatham County...	15	20	5
Chapel of the Cross.....	Chapel Hill.....	20	25	10
St. Thomas's Church.....	Craven County.....	25	30	10
St. Paul's Church.....	Clinton.....	15	20	5
St. John's Church.....	Durham's Creek....	10	15	5
St. Paul's Church.....	Edenton.....	250	200	50
Christ Church.....	Elizabeth City.....	40	50	20
St. John's Church.....	Fayetteville.....	250	200	50
St. Mary's Church.....	Gatesville.....	15	20	5
St. Stephen's Church.....	Goldsborough.....	25	30	10
St. Paul's Church.....	Greenville.....	15	20	5
St. Mark's Church.....	Halifax.....	15	20	5
Church of the Holy Innocents	Henderson.....	25	30	10
St. James's Church.....	Hendersonville.....	10	15	5
Calvary Church.....	Henderson County..	50	60	20
St. John's in the Wilderness..	" "	50	60	20
St. Matthew's Church.....	Hillsborough.....	60	50	20
Church of the Holy Trinity...	Hertford.....	25	30	10
St. James's Church.....	Iredell County.....	15	20	5
Church of the Saviour.....	Jackson.....	10	15	5
St. Mary's Church.....	Kinston.....	10	15	5
St. James's Church.....	Kittrell's Spring...	25	30	10
Church of the Epiphany.....	Leaksville.....	15	20	5
St. James's Church.....	Lenoir.....	10	15	5

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## REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

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The Treasurer of the Diocese, in making his Report, would call the attention of the Convention to the state of the Finances. During the past year he has only been able to pay the Bishop nine hundred dollars, and no disbursements have been made to Missionaries since the last Convention, at which time all the money received from the Parishes was at once paid out. In view of the urgent wants of the Diocese, about the 1st of January he addressed a circular to the Parochial Clergy, calling their attention to the facts, and requesting them to forward their annual assessments at as early a day as possible. This met with few responses till the end of March, and he now has on hand:

Bishop's and Contingent Fund,	\$6 00
Missionary Fund,	534 15
Relief Fund,	150 00

No appropriations have been made by the Missionary Committee, and other aid having been received from kind friends, I would advise that the money now on hand and to be received at the present time, be applied to meet the demands of the coming year.

I would also call the attention of the Convention to the present mode of assessing the Parishes. No regular rule has been previously adopted, and that in force has been, and still is, entirely arbitrary. The Committee to whom this subject was referred at the last Convention felt it to be so, but the returns from the Parishes were so incomplete as to render it impossible to adopt any other. Would it not be best to lay an assessment on each Communicant, and by the Parochial Reports determine the portion of expenses to be borne by each Parish. Or let the Convention appoint certain Sundays in the year, monthly or quarterly, on which collections shall be taken up for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WILKES, Treasurer.

May 30, 1866.



*penses of Convention, in account with Treasurer.*

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1865,			
Sept. 14.	By cash from St. Paul's, Clinton,	\$10 00	
	Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	15 00	
	Holy Innocents, Henderson,	12 00	
	St. Peter's, Charlotte,	10 00	
	St. John's, Williamsborough,	15 00	
	St. Matthew's, Hillsborough,	40 00	
	Immanuel, Warrenton,	67 00	
	St. Stephen's, Goldsborough,	7 50	
	St. Luke's, Salisbury,	40 00	
	Calvary, Tarborough,	50 00	
	Trinity, Scotland Neck,	50 00	
	Church of our Saviour, Jackson,	20 00	
	St. Stephen's, Oxford,	67 50	
			\$404 00
Nov. 11.	St. Luke's, Lincolnton,		16 10
16.	St. Matthew's, Hillsborough,		60 00
1866,			
Jan'y 23.	St. Luke's, Lincolnton,	8 90	
	Christ Church, Raleigh,	100 00	
			108 90
31.	St. John's, Williamsborough,		17 00
Feb'y 1.	St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,		40 00
6.	Epiphany, Leaksville,		11 25
12.	Trinity Church, Asheville,	15 00	
	St. Mary's School, Raleigh,	20 00	
			35 00
13.	Calvary Church, Wadesborough,		10 00
17.	St. Paul's, Beaufort,		15 00
28.	Calvary Church, Wadesborough,	10 00	
	St. Paul's, Edenton,	100 00	
			110 00
Mar. 22.	Christ Church, Raleigh,	91 25	
	St. John's, Fayetteville,	150 00	
	St. Paul's, Louisburg,	25 00	
			266 25
April 3.	St. Philip's, Mocksville,		10 00
4.	St. Paul's, Beaufort,		5 00
6.	St. Paul's, Edenton,		22 00
21.	Calvary Church, Tarborough,		60 00
May 14.	Trinity Church, Scotland Neck,	70 00	
	Christ Church, Raleigh,	5 00	
			75 00
			\$1,265 50
May 30.	By balance to new account,		\$6 00





*poses, in account with Treasurer.*

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1865,			
Sept. 14.	By cash from Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill.	\$15 00	
	Holy Innocents, Henderson,	12 00	
	St. Peter's, Charlotte,	15 00	
	St. John's, Williamsborough,	4 00	
	St. Matthew's, Hillsborough,	40 00	
	Immanuel Church, Warrenton,	75 00	
	St. Stephen's, Goldsborough,	2 50	
	St. Luke's, Salisbury,	20 00	
	Church of our Saviour, Jackson,	10 00	
			\$193 50
23.	Collection, Christ Church, Raleigh, at Convention,		96 50
Nov. 16.	St. Matthew's, Hillsborough,		35 00
1866,			
Jan. 23.	St. Luke's, Lincolnton,		3 65
Feb. 12.	Trinity Church, Asheville,	13 00	
	St. Mary's School, Raleigh,	60 00	
			73 00
March 8.	St. Paul's, Beaufort,		15 00
22.	St. Luke's, Lincolnton,	12 50	
	St. John's, Fayetteville,	100 00	
	St Paul's, Louisburg,	30 00	
			142 50
April 3.	St. Philip's, Mocksville,		15 00
4.	St. Paul's, Beaufort,		5 00
6.	St. Paul's, Edenton,		68 00
23.	St. Luke's, Lincolnton,		12 00
May 14.	Trinity Church, Scotland Neck,		60 00
28.	Trinity Church, Asheville.		7 00
			\$726 15
May 30.	By balance from old account,		\$534 15

Dr.

*Relief Fund for disabled Clergy, Widows*

To balance to new account,

\$150 00

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*and Orphans, in account with Treasurer.*

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1865,			
Sept. 14.	By cash from Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	\$5 00	
	Holy Innocents, Henderson,	3 75	
	St. Peter's, Charlotte,	7 00	
	St. John's, Williamsborough,	9 00	
	St. Matthew's, Hillsborough,	20 00	
	Immanuel Church, Warrenton,	26 75	
	St. Stephen's, Goldsborough,	3 50	
	Trinity Church, Scotland Neck,	5 00	
			\$80 00
Nov. 16.	St. Luke's, Lincolnton,		5 00
1866,			
Feb'y 12.	St. Mary's School, Raleigh,		20 00
Mar. 22.	St. Paul's, Louisburg,		10 00
April 3.	St. Philip's, Mocksville,		5 00
23.	St. Luke's, Lincolnton,		5 00
May 14.	Trinity, Scotland Neck,		20 00
28.	Trinity, Asheville,		5 00
			\$150 00
May 30.	By balance from old account,		\$150 00

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
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